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Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(1), (b)(2)):

SBC Long Distance LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance
1010 N. St. Mary's Street
Suite 13L
San Antonio, TX 78215

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Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Interstate residential local exchange service will be discontinued throughout the SBCLD service area in New Jersey.

Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Interstate residential local exchange service is basic telephone exchange service that allows customers to make local calls within a local exchange, which includes local calling areas that cross state boundary lines.

The public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by this service discontinuance because there are many alternative providers of local exchange telephone services, including but not limited to MCI Metro, Sprint/United Telephone and Verizon.

Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(3)):

SBCLD notified customers by letter sent via U.S. Mail on August 9, 2007.

A copy of the letter is attached hereto as Attachment A.

Copies of this Application are being sent, first class U.S. Mail, to the public utilities commission and governor of the state of New Jersey and also to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

SBCLD is considered non-dominant with respect to the service to be discontinued.

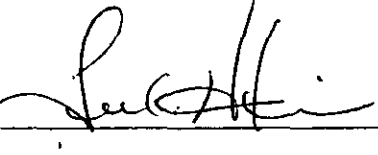
Questions about this application may be addressed to Toni Acton, AT&T Services, Inc., Director – Federal Regulatory, 1120 20th Street, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 457-3039.

Conclusion:

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of this service since there are alternative providers of local exchange service.

SBCLD respectfully requests that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue interstate residential local exchange service in New Jersey.

Respectfully submitted,

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August 16, 2007

Attachment A

SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance
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San Antonio, TX 78215-2109

August 9, 2007

BIANCA EVERETT
593 MOONANCHIE AVE APT G
WOOD RIDGE NJ 7075

You Must Choose a New Local Telephone Service Provider by October 11, 2007.

Dear Telephone Service Customer:

We regret to inform you that as of November 1, 2007 SBC¹ will no longer provide local telephone service in New Jersey. This was simply a business decision based on the considerations that we incur in providing local residential service.

Your action is required! You must select a new local telephone service provider as quickly as possible, AND no later than October 11, 2007 or you may lose your local telephone service.

You can usually find a list of local telephone service providers in your local telephone directory or on the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities website at www.bpu.state.nj.us. If you require assistance, please contact SBC at 1-877-430-7228.

After selecting a different local telephone provider, you should also contact your current local toll provider and your long distance provider to ensure that neither your current local toll calling plan nor your long distance calling plan is changed as the result of your change in local service. If you do not contact these providers to ensure that your current calling plans remain in place after you transfer your local service, you may be charged basic rates (non-calling plan rates) for local toll and long distance calls.

SBC must file a request to discontinue service at the FCC. The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of SBC Long Distance, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Long Distance. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

SBC regrets any inconvenience this change may cause you.

Sincerely,

SBC Long Distance, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Long Distance

¹ Your local telephone service is provided by SBC Long Distance, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Long Distance

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS REGARDING DISCONTINUANCE OF YOUR LOCAL RESIDENTIAL TELEPHONE SERVICE

- 1 Why has the company made the decision to no longer offer residential local service in my area?**
We consistently evaluate all areas of our business. This was simply a business decision based on the considerations that we incur in providing local residential service. At this time, only local residential phone service is being discontinued. Business customers with local or long distance telephone services are not affected by this change.
- 2 What should I do now that I have received this letter?**
It is important you find another local residential telephone service provider. Normally you can locate a complete list of providers in the front of your White Page phone book or in your Yellow Pages directory under the "telephone companies" heading. You should contact a new local residential telephone service provider as soon as possible to switch your local service to that new provider. You could lose your local phone service if you do not change your local service provider.
- 3 What about my other telephone services?**
They will not be impacted by this change in local residential telephone service. AT&T and its affiliates will continue to offer the same high standards and quality of wireless and long distance services to which local customers are accustomed. If you choose AT&T as your in-state toll and long distance service provider, inform your new local service provider of this choice.
- 4 When will I receive my final bill?**
You will receive your final bill 7 to 14 days after the switch to your new local residential service provider is complete.
- 5 Will I be able to keep my phone number(s) with my new provider?**
You should discuss this with your new local telephone company. Your new residential local telephone service provider should perform the necessary steps to ensure that you can keep your phone number with your new company. **Do not disconnect** your current local service if you want to keep your phone number – just call your new local telephone company to set up service and the new company will handle the rest to make sure your existing service is stopped and to make sure you can keep your phone number.
- 6 What about my other services that use my phone line?**
If you have other services not provided by SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance that use your local telephone line, for example an alarm service, you should contact the provider(s) of those services to inform them of the change to your local telephone service provider and determine if any actions are necessary.
- 7 Who can I contact for more information regarding this notification?**
Please call toll-free 1-877-430-7228 with any questions you may have regarding this notification.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do certify that I have, this 16th day of August 2007, served a copy of the foregoing
Section 63.71 Application by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the following:

/s/Lacretia Hill
Lacretia Hill

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Newark, NJ 07102

Secretary of Defense
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